employment generation taking place and suggest measures to generate at least one hundred million jobs in a period of 10 years (Ten million in each year).

Legislation for agricultural labourers

76. SHRI A.VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have called any meeting of the State Labour Ministers to discuss about a comprehensive central legislation for agricultural labourers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government will pass any such legislation in the near future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. A State Labour Minster's Conference was organised to discuss the draft proposal of central legislation for agricultural workers on 18.1.2000. There was no consensus on some of the major components of the draft proposal. The proposal is being re-examined on the basis of the views/ comments of the State Governments.

Plight of Migrant Workers

77. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government is drawn to the news report "Migrant Workers from MP allege harassment in Surat" that appeared in the Times of India dated 20th January, 2000 according to which Hindi speaking people were being either forcibly kept by factory owners @ Rs. 100/- a week or are being deported from Gujarat; and

(b) Government's action and reaction thereto?